Indo-Pak Talks on Nuclear issue

640. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI SUSHILKUMAR
SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to Pakistan Prime Minister's statement as reported in the 'Times of India' dated 30th January 1996 calling for an Indo-Pakistan Summit on the nuclear question; if so, whether any official communication has been received in this regard; and

(b) what is Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) Government have seen the "Times of India" report of 30.1.1996 under reference. Pakistan has, however, not forwarded any official communication in this regard. Government are of the view that the nuclear issue needs to be addressed globally and cannot be discussed in a narrow bilateral or regional framework. Pakistan is well aware of Government of India's position on the issue.

Basic Services to Motorists by Petrol Pumps

641. SHRI YERRA NARAYANASWAMY: will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is mandatory for petrol pumps to have minimum facilities for motorists;

(b) if so, whether oil companies monitor such regulations in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) to what extent are motorists in Andhra Pradesh being deprived of basic mandatory service at petrol pumps; and

(d) what steps are proposed to improve services offered by petrol pumps in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (d) Keeping in view the convenience of motorists, the Oil Industry endeavours to provide a number of facilities at the retail outlets in the country including Andhra Pradesh. These includ the following;

1. Free air, radiator water and drinking water.
2. Maintenance of a suggestion/complaint book.
3. Display of working hours/holiday notices.
4. Display of names/telephone No. of oil company officers to be contacted in case of complaints.
5. First aid box.
6. Keeping the premises clean and adequately illuminated.
7. Toilet facility.

In case these facilities are not provided by the RO dealer, punitive action may be taken under the Marketing Discipline Guidelines.

बंदरगाहों की कार्यकुशलता

642. **श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज:**
श्री राम जेठमलानी:

क्या जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 27 दिसम्बर, 1995 के दैनिक दि इकोनामिक टाइम्स में "अनप्रोडक्टिव पोर्टस" शीर्षक से प्रकाशित हुए समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, क्या यह सच है कि हमारे देश के बंदरगाहों पर माल लादने और उतारने संबंधी सभी आवश्यक प्रक्रियाओं पर व्यय की जाने वाली राशि विश्व के अन्य बंदरगाहों पर इस संबंध में व्यय की जाने वाली राशि की तुलना में अधिक है;

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इस संबंध में तथ्य क्या है और क्या इन बंदरगाहों की कार्य-कुशलता बढ़ाने के लिए गत तीन वर्षों के दौरान सरकार ने कोई प्रभावी कदम उठाए हैं; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में ब्यौरा क्या है?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम. राजसेकर मूर्ति): (क) जी हां।

(ख) (ग) और (घ): कार्गों हैंडलिग प्रभारों में पत्तन संबंधी प्रभार पोत संबंधी प्रभार तथा क्लीअरिंग एवं हैडलिंग एजेंटों के प्रभार शामिल है। पत्तन प्रभार सरकार

द्वारा नियत किए जाते हैं जबकि अन्य प्रभार बाजार ताकतों पर निर्भर करते हैं। हमारे देश में कुछ पत्तनों के कुल कार्गो हैंडलिंग प्रभारी विश्व के कुछ पत्तनों के कुल कार्गो हैंडलिंग प्रभारों से अपेक्षाकृत अधिक हो सकते हैं किन्तु इस संबंध में प्रमाणित अभिसूचित आंकड़ों के अभाव में तुलना करना संभव नहीं है।

महापत्तनों का क्षमता में वृद्धि के लिए विभिन्न उपाए किए गए हैं जिनमें नाविक लाइसेंस जारी करने को उदार बनाना, पत्तन क्षमता का विस्तार एवं कार्गो हैंडलिंग उपकरणों का आधुनिकीकरण और कार्मिकों की संख्या एवं आंकड़ों को युक्तिसंगत यात्रा तथा श्रम उत्पादकता में सुधार के लिए प्रोत्साहन स्कीमें शुरू करना/जारी रखना शामिल है। इसके अतिरिक्त चुनिन्दा पत्तन प्रचालनों का निजीकरण भी किया गया है।

Security Consideration by TEC

643. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:
DR. BIPLAB DASGUPTA:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Tender Evaluation Committee for evaluation of tenders for basic telecom services construed security as a consideration for capping;

(b) if so, whether the "C" category circles were considered security risk free; and

(c) if not, why cap was not recommended for "C" category circles?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes Sir. Security was one of the considerations for recommending capping by the TEC.

(b) No Sir.

(c) Category 'C' Circles are less lucrative and evoked a poor response. This is why capping was not recommended for Category "C" Circles.

Subversive Activities by Pakistani Nationals

644. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 240 given in the Rajya Sahba on 28.2.96 and state:

(a) what are the reasons and circumstances under which the Pakistani nationals are illegally staying in the country and whether any subversive, activities committed by these persons have come to Government's notice and if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon; and

(b) what steps Government have so far taken or propose to take to check their illegal entry and for deportation of these persons from the country?

THE MINISTER OF THE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

People Kept as Hostages by Militants in North-East

645. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of people still kept hostage by the ULFA, Bodo Security Forces, NSCN and PLA in North-Eastern States; and

(b) the precautionary measures Government have taken recently to stop this regular menance in North-Eastern part of the Country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SYED SIBTEY RAZI): (a) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) The Government has taken various steps. These include, inter alia, raids and search operations in the militant infested areas, vehicle checkings, and combing operations, etc.

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योगों में महिला उद्यमियों को प्रोत्साहन देने का प्रस्ताव

646. श्री चिमनभाई हरिभाई शुक्ल: क्या खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार के पास खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योगों की स्थापना और इन्हें बढ़ावा देने के लिए महिला उद्यमियों